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Incident: *Death Investigation / PC 285 Incest*

Occurred: *Monday, June 23, 2003 7:24PM*

Location: *18400 block of 9th Street, Bloomington, Ca.*

Victim: *ALVAREZ, Angel (Premature Newborn)*

Suspect 1: *ALVAREZ, Jennifer HFA, 22 yrs., Bloomington, Ca.*

Suspect 2: *HMJ, 17 yrs., Bloomington, Ca.*

At about 7:25 PM this evening, Deputies from the Sheriff's Fontana Station responded to an emergency 911 telephone call regarding the discovery of a dead newborn baby in an alley in the 18400 block of 9th Street in Bloomington. When the Deputies arrived, they discovered a premature newborn, estimated at between 4 and 6 months, dead in the alley. A team of Sheriff's Homicide Investigators was called to the scene to conduct the investigation into the newborn's death.

The ensuing investigation revealed that 22 year-old Jennifer Alvarez had been having sexual relations with a 17 year-old male member of her family and became pregnant. At about 10:00 AM this morning, Alvarez gave birth to the newborn in the alley behind her home but did not notify anyone about it and concealed the fact of the birth until after investigators arrived at the scene that evening about nine hours after she gave birth.

Jennifer Alvarez was transported to Kaiser hospital for medical treatment. Her 17 year-old male relative was interviewed and later arrested for Incest and booked into the San Bernardino County Juvenile Hall. An autopsy will be conducted by the Coroner's office to determine the cause of death and the approximate age of the newborn. After additional information is obtained regarding the viability of the newborn, the Sheriff's investigation will be submitted to the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office for review regarding what liability Jennifer Alvarez has for the child's death as well as for the Incest she committed with her male relative.

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